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SUBJECT	Contact with Gregorz Leopold SHIMMER			

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1. Attached is **AMSTERDAM/27**'s report on two meetings on 28 and 29 December 1960, with Professor Gregorz Leopold **SHIMMER**, member of Maria Curie-Skłodowska University in Lublin, Poland. Enclosed are joint comments on the meetings by **AMSTERDAM/27**, **AMSTERDAM/2**, and **AMSTERDAM/15**, the latter two having participated in the planning and execution of the operation.

2. We were able to locate **SHIMMER** with the help of **KHANN**, which has been regularly debriefing a United States college professor in contact with him. **AMSTERDAM/2** also got in touch with a Toronto collaborator and obtained information from Professor George R. H. **HEWITT**, a Canadian who had talked to **SHIMMER** when the latter was in Toronto. We found considerable information on **SHIMMER** at Headquarters from **KHANN** and other sources. The undersigned briefed **AMSTERDAM/27** in New York on the evening of 27 December (**KHANN** revealed that **SHIMMER**'s visa would run out on 29 December) with all the facts and opinions available. **AMSTERDAM/27** was instructed to use the first meeting to establish the extent of **SHIMMER**'s knowledge of the Division, the nature of his contacts there, his travel plans and immediate itinerary, and to form some impression as to his character and vulnerabilities. **SHIMMER** (correct spelling, we believe), who had been in correspondence with the **KHANN** source (they had met at Oxford on **SHIMMER**'s recommendation in early 1960), had alleged that recently in Lublin visited **SHIMMER** would go to Communist China as Poland's next ambassador. **AMSTERDAM/27** was therefore particularly charged with learning if there was any truth to that rumor.

3. Following the first meeting, we decided that **AMSTERDAM/27** should make another run on **SHIMMER** to probe more pointedly in the direction of operational collaboration with **SHIMMER**'s low contacts and/or with **SHIMMER**.

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himself. In the course of the telephone conversation with SKIDLER, ARKASSOWSKI/27, in explaining the purpose of his call, mentioned his desire to contribute to the support of his compatriots inside the Ukraine in their striving to maintain their national character. SKIDLER termed the people in Lvov and himself "bored realists" and said something to the effect that books were fine, but did ARKASSOWSKI/27 have anything else to offer. On the basis of these remarks, which were interpreted by the ARKASSOWSKIS and the undersigned to mean that SKIDLER was really interested in "doing business," ARKASSOWSKI/27 was encouraged to suggest official collaboration and if conditions were favorable, to hint that he could put SKIDLER in touch with the "proper" SKIDLER element.

4. An elaborate electric razor was bought by ARKASSOWSKI/27 for SKIDLER, primarily as a memento but also to get SKIDLER's reaction to material benefits.

5. Apparently, we had misinterpreted SKIDLER's remarks. He was not in fact interested in immediate personal gain or in a clear-cut operational arrangement for that or any other reason. It was felt at the conclusion of the operation by all concerned that the contact had been developed to the furthest possible extent for the time being.

6. Although ARKASSOWSKI/27 was unable to obtain SKIDLER's subsequent itinerary, KINKEP learned from its source that he was returning to Poland via London and Paris, but was unable to provide dates. It is virtually certain that SKIDLER has gotten together with HENRIK in London. If there is any way to obtain information through HENRIK on what SKIDLER had to say or on his plans, we would appreciate receiving it.

7. Although the immediate results of the SKIDLER contact were less than we had for a while hoped for, the case does appear to have a future, and on a greater scale than we had at first believed. The apparent fact that certain circles within Poland are in sympathy with Ukrainian nationalistic aspirations appears significant, though certainly not in keeping with pre-war Polish policy. Restrained nationalistic tendencies on the part of certain Ukrainian intellectuals in Lvov are known, of course, and SKIDLER's disinterest came as no surprise.

8. ARKASSOWSKI/27 will follow up the contact as agreed with SKIDLER.

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